

# Germanans Driven Back With Big Loss in New Attack



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## FUSION SPLIT BY MITCHEL'S DEFEAT; REGULARS OF G. O. P. TO BACK BENNETT

### GREATEST LOSSES IN WAR SUFFERED BY THE GERMANS; GREAT BATTLES IN THE AIR

Positions Held Against Often Repeated Terrific Counter-Attacks by the Enemy.

POE'S DEAD PILED HIGH.

Attacking Forces Have to Climb Over the Bodies of Slain Comrades.

LONDON, Sept. 28.—Although defeated Wednesday night and Thursday morning in seven furious assaults against the British in Flanders, the Germans resumed their assault last evening against the positions near Zonnebeke. The British War Office reports the attack was broken up.

Following is the text of to-day's official statement: "Yesterday evening another counter-attack by the Germans against our positions in Zonnebeke was broken up by our rifle and machine gun fire and artillery. South of Tower Hamlets and south of Polygon Wood isolated strong positions in which parties of the enemy were holding out close to our new position have been cleared up.

"We killed or captured several Germans without loss to ourselves in carrying out a successful raid last night southwest of Cherisy.

"The enemy's artillery showed considerable activity during the night south of Lens. The artillery on both sides has been active on the battle front."

In the seven attacks of Wednesday night and Thursday morning the Germans were unsuccessful except at one small redoubt near St. Julien. The German dead have been piled so high before the British trenches that succeeding waves of German troops have had to climb over their slain comrades in making new attacks.

The German losses in the last two days have been the greatest of the war.

The feature of the fighting is the use of airplanes as "cavalry of the air." British aviators, in massed formation, flying only 100 feet from the ground, fired 30,000 rounds from their machine guns into the German ranks, killing hundreds.

Desperate battles between airplanes occurred at this dangerously low level, with the result that thirteen British aviators were shot down, while seven others were driven out of control, and five others were winged by British infantrymen as they flew less than 200 feet in the air.

The British to-day continued to strengthen the line to which they have battled their way. The Australians have completed their conquest of the German positions at the eastern extremity of Polygon Wood.

### German Man Power Reduced to 6,800,000; Formerly 14,000,000

GERMAN MAN POWER AT PRESENT.

Soldiers at the front or in cantonments	5,600,000
Soldiers at depots, constituting the reserve	600,000
Classes of 1919 and 1920, still unincorporated	700,000
Total	6,900,000
HOW GERMANY HAS LOST MAN POWER.	
Losses in the army through casualties	4,000,000
Wounded under treatment but not yet capable of service	800,000
German reservists in foreign countries (50,000 in the United States alone)	200,000
Germans physically incapable of army service	2,100,000
Employed in indispensable industries	500,000
Total	7,100,000

### SHIPS LOST, CARS TIED UP; PEOPLE FLEE HURRICANE

Southern Cities Alarmed by Tropical Storm, Which Is Sweeping Northward.

GULFPORT, Miss., Sept. 28.—Five fishing vessels were missing from here at noon today with sixteen persons on board. Because of the heavy tide and rising wind it is feared they have been lost. Street car traffic has been suspended.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 28.—The eighty-five mile hurricane which was expected to reach this section at noon today is expected to strike tonight somewhere between New Orleans and Gulfport, Miss.

Heeding the Weather Bureau's warning, hundreds of New Orleans residents deserted their homes in the outskirts and sought refuge in hotels, office buildings, the Post Office Building, the Custom House and the new Court House.

The hurricane hit Pilot Town, seventy-five miles from New Orleans. It has a population of 100.

The district forecaster here advised the authorities at Thibodaux, Hammond and other small towns near here to keep their schools closed today. The New Orleans School Board issued orders to the same effect.

Schoolboy Run Down by Auto. Morris Newberger, ten years old, a schoolboy living at No. 1563 Southern Boulevard, was knocked down by an automobile to-day in front of his residence. The machine was owned and operated by Eugene Lindt of No. 1560 St. Peter Avenue. Young Newberger was taken to Fordham Hospital suffering from a fractured left leg and lacerations of the thigh.

Berlin Claims a Repulse of British Attacks. BERLIN, Sept. 28 (via London).—British forces which yesterday advanced for strong local attacks north-east of Ypres and on the Menin road, on the Belgian front were driven back says the official statement issued to-day by the German War Office.

### HEFLIN AND NORTON CLING IN THE HOUSE OVER PLOT CHARGES

Bernstorff "Slush Fund" Row Ends in Personal Encounter, but Friends Separate Men.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—The row in the House over Representative Hefflin's charges culminated to-day in a fight between Hefflin and Representative Norton, his chief critic. Friends soon separated them.

The climax came at the end of a gusty session of the House, which did not approve the action of the Rules Committee in refusing to begin investigation of Hefflin's charges that certain Congressmen acted suspiciously about the time Count von Bernstorff was asking his Government to authorize the expenditure of \$50,000 to influence Congress.

Norton, who had led the attack on Hefflin for his charges, had gone over to the Democratic side to talk to Hefflin. The row broke out at once, the two men clinched and fell over on a row of seats.

"Did you ever say I was disloyal?" Norton says he asked Hefflin.

"No," Hefflin replied. Norton then made some remark about his being as loyal as any one in the house, and Hefflin told him to go away.

"You get on out of here," Hefflin is reported to have said, starting to rise in his seat.

Norton stood still while Hefflin sprang up and grasped Norton by the coat lapels. The two men grappled for a moment and then fell over, with Norton on top.

Immediately the House was in an uproar. Speaker Clark banged for order, while members leaped over seats and down aisles to reach the struggling men. The sergeant-at-arms, hurriedly grasping the mace, his badge of authority, ran toward the combatants. Disorder reigned in the galleries, where people rose from their seats and rushed to the rail to see into the pit of the House. Friends separated the men with difficulty and led them to the cloakrooms.

Members favoring investigation planned to wage a fight on the floor against the action of the committee. Chairman Poy issued this statement: "In view of information which the Committee on Rules has received of a nation-wide investigation of the use of money furnished by the German Government, now being conducted by the Department of Justice, the Committee on Rules has decided to take no action on the several resolutions before it."

Representative Hefflin has withdrawn his charges against the integrity of certain Congressmen. Chairman Poy declared, in announcing the decision of his committee. The Alabama's statements, he explained, were made in the heat of debate and since have been disavowed before the Rules Committee.

"This proposed investigation," said Poy, "would pull the very props from under a similar investigation which the Department of Justice is now conducting. When that is finished the \$50,000 slush fund will not be a drop in the bucket."

Representative Campbell, Republican leader of the committee, added that certain persons already had sought to testify before a House Committee in return for immunity in the Department of Justice investigation.

### GIRL DANCER LOSES APPEAL, MUST DIE IN FRANCE AS SPY

Mata Hari Revealed Secret of British Tanks to the Germans.

PARIS, Sept. 28.—After a legal battle of two months, during which a revision court confirmed the decision of a court-martial, Mata Hari, Dutch dancer, seeker of adventure, must face the greatest adventure of all. To-day the Supreme Court confirmed the previous findings, and the dancer was again sentenced to be shot as a spy. The news was conveyed to her in the Saint Lazare prison, where she has employed her time recently in writing her memoirs for a Parisian newspaper.

The information which the dancer conveyed to the Germans told the surprisingly well kept secret of the tanks. It permitted the enemy, at the last moment, to rush work on a special "penetrating" gun with which several of the first tanks were put out of business, although the experiment as a whole was a success.

Mata Hari, meaning "Bye of the Morning," was the stage name of Marguerite Gertrude Zelle MacLeod, a dancer who made her first success in Paris several years ago and repeated it in many European capitals.

The first time that she came in conflict with the police was last spring, when she was notified she must modify the performance which she was giving at the Folies Bergere. At that time, however, when she showed great indignation, and closed her engagement rather than comply with orders which she declared were an insult to her art, there was no search of her apartment, nothing to indicate that later she would be interviewed by the police on a much more serious subject.

What Paris is anxious to know, and what may be disclosed by the memoirs that are being written in the bleak prison of Saint Lazare, is whether a certain French Deputy furnished the hint which took the beautiful adventures to England at the time tanks were being built. It is known that she went there, known also that she stayed in the town where most of the tanks were being built. But it is certain that she learned nothing at that time.

On the plea that she desired to make a property rights settlement with Capt. MacLeod, the Dutch army officer whom she had divorced, she then went to Holland. When her various movements were traced later it was discovered that she had no property rights to settle, but that MacLeod was known among his fellow officers as a strong pro-German.

Mata Hari returned to Paris. But again it was necessary for her to make a journey. She announced that she was engaged to marry an English officer and that he was to arrive at a certain French port on a certain date. She was given the necessary safe conduct and arrived within a day of the receipt at this port of the first consignment of the tanks. Back after a week spent at this seaport to Paris. And now she must go to Spain. She wished to attend the horse races.

Again she was given a passport, although Madrid and Nijmegen, Germany, were in constant wireless communication and the country was full of German spies. In Nijmegen she first aroused suspicion, as she was seen frequently in company of a man who had long been suspected by the French Secret Service.

Therefore, when on her return to Paris, she attached as an admirer a young British officer who wore the insignia of those attached to the special "tank" service, suspicion grew apace. Her arrest and trial by court-martial followed.

### DANCER WHO LOSES APPEAL FROM DEATH SENTENCE AS A SPY.



MATA HARI

### THREE GERMAN DRIVES HALTED BY THE FRENCH

Crown Prince's Troops Suffer Heavy Losses in Attacks on Argonne Front.

PARIS, Sept. 28.—French troops in the Argonne crushed three German attacks, to-day's official statement reported. The Germans suffered heavy losses. On the Alsace German raids were thrown back.

On the right bank of the Meuse around Hill 204, the War Office reported resumption of artillery fire.

French aviators, it was announced, bombed enemy points in the Vosges.

### RUSSIAN WARSHIP SUNK; NINETY LIVES ARE LOST

Destroyer Ochothnik Strikes a Mine—Officers Refuse to Leave the Ship.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 28.—The Russian destroyer Ochothnik has been mined and sunk, an official statement announced to-day.

"Eleven were saved," the statement said, "officers refused to leave the ship."

### EIGHT U. S. ARMY AND NAVY MEN IN SPY PLOT, IS CHARGE

Accusations Made When Two San Francisco Germans Are Interned.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 28.—Five members of the United States Aviation Corps, an army recruiting officer and two navy ensigns are said by Federal officials to be involved in a plot against the Government, headed, it is alleged, by Lieut. Erwin Friedrich Schneider of the German Navy, and Theodore Kasinger, department store employee, both of whom were arrested here recently.

This disclosure came to-day as the result of an order from the Department of Justice for the immediate removal of Schneider and Kasinger from the county jail to an internment camp on Angel Island.

The authorities refused to divulge the nature of the alleged participation of the army and navy officers in the plot. They said all information on the case had been sent to San Diego and Los Angeles, where it was understood the conspiracy centered.

At the time Schneider and Kasinger were arrested it was said they were suspected of having obtained military information.

Schneider, who was an officer in the German navy at the outbreak of the war, and was interned in China, wears an Iron Cross of the fourth order dated 1914. He came here from China as a freight clerk on a trans-Pacific liner and first became known to the army authorities when, after enlisting and gaining access to Fort Mowbray, he demanded his release on the grounds that he had a dependent wife.

Suspiciousness was pointed when, a little later Schneider asked enlistment in the army recruiting office here, in the Aviation Corps. While being examined another man came in and was accepted. Immediately on the second man's acceptance Schneider withdrew his application.

According to reports in Federal official circles, army authorities are merely awaiting the gathering of the final strings of evidence before arresting the eight army and navy men. They, with four Austrians arrested at Laredo, Texas, after they had attempted to cross into Mexico, are said to form the complete chain through which American military secrets were going to Wilhelmstrasse.

### U. S. OFFICER WOUNDED IN AIR RAID IN FRANCE

Lieut. Keating's Injuries Slight—One Soldier Dies From Accident, Another From Illness.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—The slight wounding of First Lieutenant Howard E. Keating of Philadelphia, Medical Corps, during an air raid on the night of Sept. 21, was reported to the War Department to-day by Gen. Pershing.

The death of Private James Tracy, as a result of "an accident in the line of duty" also was reported. His next of kin is Mrs. E. J. Tracy, No. 1247 West North Street, Philadelphia.

### MAYOR URGED BY LEADERS TO RUN AS WAR CANDIDATE; BENNETT'S MAJORITY 581

Glaring Irregularities Bared in Re-count in Brooklyn—Republicans Declare They Must Support Primary Nominee.

The Republican primary situation had developed the following facts this afternoon:

William M. Bennett was selected by the Republican primary as the nominee for Mayor. With only fifteen Assembly Districts to be reviewed in Brooklyn and Queens, he had an unofficial lead of 581 votes, which Mitchell could not overcome under any circumstances.

One of the two New York County Grand Juries to be empanelled by Judge Mulqueen, in the Court of General Sessions next Monday, will be instructed to investigate the frauds in the primary in Manhattan, and District Attorney Swann's assistants are already busy on evidence showing frauds of the most glaring character in sixteen election districts.

Irregularities and evidences of fraud in Brooklyn Assembly Districts, including the Twelfth, of which United States Senator Calder is leader, will be presented to-day or to-morrow to District Attorney Lewis of Kings County.

The Republican-Fusion combination went to pieces to-day, with the regular Republican leaders resolving to support Bennett if he is declared winner of the party primary, and the other elements of the alliance deciding to nominate Mayor Mitchell as an independent candidate.

Whether the Mayor will accept the independent nomination and run as a third candidate is still an open question. He kept his own counsel to-day and would make no announcement.

As soon as the pending recount of Republican primary votes is completed and Mr. Bennett declared the nominee, the Republican leaders of the various counties, who hold party regularity above all personal preference for candidates, will make announcement that they support the winner of the primaries and will withdraw from the Fusion combination.

In this group will be the county chairmen and organization leaders of New York, Kings, Queens and Richmond Counties.

It also includes Senator Calder, State Comptroller Eugene M. Travis and all other followers in Brooklyn. Mr. Calder and Mr. Travis were scheduled to speak at the first big Mitchell meeting Tuesday night in Brooklyn Academy of Music, but have sent notices of their withdrawal.

County Chairman Samuel S. Koenig of New York, who was an enthusiastic supporter of Mayor Mitchell and the Fusion movement, declined to make any statement until the primary result should be definitely known. But the New York County organization leaders have no hesitancy in asserting their regularity and determination to stand by the primary nominee, whoever he may be.

PETITIONS OUT TO RUN MAYOR AS AN INDEPENDENT. Emory R. Buckner, new manager of the Fusion Campaign Committee, made the following announcement: "This committee began to-day the circulation of petitions for the nomination of Mayor Mitchell on an independent ticket, regardless of the Republican primary results. We do not feel that seventeen per cent. of the voters of one of the Fusion elements should dictate who should be the candidate of the whole Fusion alliance, when we believe that a great majority of the voters want Mayor Mitchell."

"The Republican party is but one factor in the combination. The vote cast for Mr. Bennett was about seventeen per cent. of the Republican enrollment. We believe that a majority of the Republicans and of the other organizations want Mr. Mitchell to be their candidate and we are

Bottom Flooded, Necessitating Removal of Stores—Vessel Resting Easily, Says Daniels.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Sept. 28.—A United States battleship is ashore on the Atlantic coast to-day, according to an announcement from the naval authorities here.

The vessel, whose name is withheld for military reasons, is not believed to be in immediate danger. Her bow is hard aground and it is said her double bottom is flooded, necessitating the removal of stores. Naval vessels are standing by.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—The Navy Department this afternoon issued this statement: "The Navy Department has received an official report stating that a battleship of the United States Navy is aground in home waters. The ship is resting easily and it is expected that she will be floated without difficulty. The newspapers are urgently requested not to print any information which might lead to the establishment of the identity or location of the stranded vessel."

PURINA FADELESS DEBS, 10c. Each Bottle Colors All Goods. Druggists. —Adv.

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